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FROM LOS ANGELES (44-1574) (3P)

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RE LOS ANGELES TEL DATED FEBRUARY TWELVE LAST.

CHARLES STEIN INTERVIEWED FEBRUARY THIRTEEN INSTANT AND FURNISHED FOLLOWING:

ON APRIL NINETEEN SIXTY EIGHT, HE WAS CONTACTED BY LOS ANGELES TIMES REPORTER LARSON DURING WHICH THEY DISCUSSED MEMO SLIP STEIN HAD, WHICH HE ALLEGEDLY RECEIVED FROM JAMES EARL RAY. SLIP HAD ADDRESS OF STEIN'S SISTER MARIE LEE WHERE STEIN STAYED DURING THE STEIN-RAY TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS IN DECEMBER NINETEEN SIXTY SEVEN. SLIP ALSO HAD A PHONE NUMBER WHICH HE CAN NOT NOW RECALL. AT THAT

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TIME STEIN FELT PHONE NUMBER MIGHT BE FOR LOCATION OF RAY AND THAT IT WOULD BE OF GREAT FINANCIAL VALUE. LARSON OFFERED STEIN FIFTEEN OR TWENTY DOLLARS FOR SLIP WHICH STEIN FELT WAS NOT ENOUGH MONEY. FOLLOWING CONVERSATION WITH LARSON STEIN SPENT HIS LAST DOLLAR TO CALL THE PHONE NUMBER WHICH WAS ON THE SLIP IN NEW ORLEANS. INDIVIDUAL ANSWERING PHONE IDENTIFIED THE NUMBER AS THE GREY HOUND BUS STATION.

STEIN SAID THAT RAY WAS EAGER TO LEAVE NEW ORLEANS BUT STEIN WANTED TO STAY A DAY OR TWO LONGER. STEIN SUGGESTED THAT THEY CHECK WEATHER CONDITION PRIOR TO DEPARTING NEW ORLEANS FOR LOS ANGELES SINCE THEY ENCOUNTERED SNOW STORM EN ROUTE TO NEW ORLEANS. STEIN SAID RAY CALLED FIRE STATION WHO SUGGESTED HE CALL GREY HOUND BUS DEPOT FOR WEATHER INFORMATION WHICH RAY DID AND MADE NOTATION ON MEMO SLIP.

STEIN STATED HE CAN NOT LOCATE THIS SLIP SINCE HE HAS MOVED SEVERAL TIMES SINCE HE ORIGINALLY CAME IN POSSESSION OF IT AND IS NOW LIVING ON A DAY TO DAY BASIS WITH FRIENDS.

STEIN SAID HE IS EAGER TO GO TO MEMPHIS AND INTENDS TO TAKE A CAMERA OR A PHOTOGRAPHER WITH HIM TO RECORD HIS ACTIONS AND AS A WITNESS IN RAY TRIAL SINCE HE INTENDS TO WRITE A BOOK ABOUT HIS EXPERIENCES IN THIS CASE. STEIN

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SAID HE WILL EMBELLISH HIS STORY TO MAKE BOOK A GOOD SELL AND TO PROFIT FINANCIALLY FROM IT.

STEIN WAS CAUTIONED NOT TO EMBELLISH OR DISTORT ANY CONTACT WITH THE FBI.

STEIN SAID HE NEVER HEARD RAY MENTION ANYONE BY THE NAME OF RAUL. HE SAID HE KNOWS OF NO CONNECTION BETWEEN THE ASSINATIONS OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY, SENATOR ROBERT KENNEDY, OR MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. STEIN SAID NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT ATTORNEY, JAMES GARRISON HAD CONTACTED HIS SISTER MARIE LEE IN NEW ORLEANS ASKING TO HAVE STEIN CONTACT GARRISON. STEIN SAID HE MADE TWO ATTEMPTS TO CALL GARRISON COLLECT BUT CALLS WERE NOT COMPLETED.

STEIN ALSO ADVISED HE HAD CALLED DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN MEMPHIS TO OBTAIN PERMISSION TO TELEGRAPH RAY IN PRISON FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING THEIR TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS. STEIN SAID THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY "TOOK THE FIFTH AMENDMENT" AND WHILE NOT GRANTED, STEIN DID TELEGRAPH RAY AND HAS NO ANSWER FROM HIM TO DATE.

ALTHOUGH STEIN APPEARED LUCID DURING INTERVIEW, HE DID ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS DIGRESS INTO REALM OF METAPHYSICAL THOUGHT CONCERNING THE CONTINUOUS CREATIONS OF MANY NEW CHRISTS.

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